

E xcept for those cases appealed directly to the supreme court, a person has the right to request a review of a circuit court judge's decision by the appellate court.

The appellate court is organized into five districts. The first meets in Chicago, the second in Elgin, the third in Ottawa, the fourth in Springfield, and the fifth in Mt. Vernon.

E ach district can have one or more divisions. There are six divisions in the first district and one in each of the other four. The supreme court assigns judges to the various divisions. The presiding judge of each division assigns judges to panels of three to hear appeals.

The number of appellate court judgeships, currently fifty-two, is determined by the legislature. The supreme court can assign additional circuit, appellate or retired judges temporarily to any district.

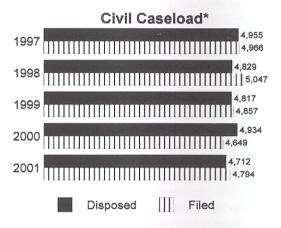
Judges are elected by voters in each district for ten-year terms, and may be retained for additional ten-year terms. Each judge has a support staff of two law clerks and a secretary.



Each district manages its own operations, subject to the overall authority of the supreme court. In the first district (Cook County), an executive committee exercises general administrative authority. This committee elects a chairperson and vice-chairperson for one year. In the other districts, judges select one of their members to serve as presiding judge for one year.

Appellate Court Administrative Matters

Annual Meeting. Supreme Court Rule 22(e) provides for a meeting of all judges of the Appellate Court. The Appellate Court held its annual meeting in December with Justice Mary Jane Theis presiding as Chair. Thirty-nine appellate judges attended the meeting. Justices Moses W. Harrison, Thomas R. Fitzgerald, Mary Ann McMorrow and Robert R. Thomas also attended. Pursuant to amended section 15(e) article VI of the Illinois Constitution, the Illinois Appellate Court selects two appellate judges to serve as regular members and three appellate judges to serve as alternate members on the Illinois Courts Commission. Judges Robert Chapman Buckley and Kent Slater were elected as regular members. Judges Fred A. Geiger, Robert W. Cook and Philip J. Rarick were elected as alternate members. Judge John T. McCullough was selected to be the next chair of the Illinois Appellate Court.



Administrative Committee. The Appellate Court Administrative Committee, created by order of the Supreme Court, studies and recommends methods by which the Appellate Court might improve the court of appeals. The Committee sponsored the 2001 Appellate Court Seminar. Thirty-eight judges attended the one and one-half day seminar. Further, the Committee met during the year to consider various matters and plan the 2001 Appellate Court Seminar. Members of the Committee include Judges James A. Knecht (Chair), Robert P. Cahill, Richard P. Goldenhersh, Joseph Gordon, Alan J. Greiman, Susan Fayette Hutchinson and Tom M. Lytton. Justice Rita B. Garman served as the Supreme Court Liaison.

Circuit: Circuit Court of Cook County

District Population: 5,376,741 (2000 census)

APPELLATE JUDGES

DIVISION I
Jill K. McNulty,
Presiding Judge
Judith Cohen
Margaret O'Mara Fossard*
John P. Tully

DIVISION II
Robert Cahill,
Presiding Judge
William Cousins Jr.
Joseph Gordon
Margaret S. McBride

DIVISION III
Shelvin Louise Marie Hall,
Presiding Judge
Anne M. Burke
David Cerda*
Warren D. Wolfson*

DIVISION IV
Allen Hartman,
Presiding Judge
Francis Barth*
Thomas E. Hoffman++
Leslie E. South

DIVISION V
Patrick J. Quinn,
Presiding Judge
Alan J. Greiman *+
Ellis E. Reid*
Mary Jane Theis

DIVISION VI Calvin C. Campbell, Presiding Judge Robert C. Buckley Michael J. Gallagher Sheila M. O'Brien

+ = chair ++ = vice-chair: Executive Committee; *circuit judge assigned to appellate court

FIRST DISTRICT



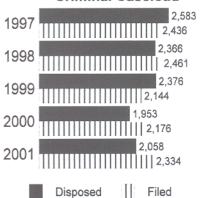


State of Illinois Building Completed 1924; remodeled 1992 (Holabird & Root/CDB photo)

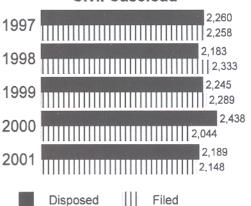
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Criminal Caseload

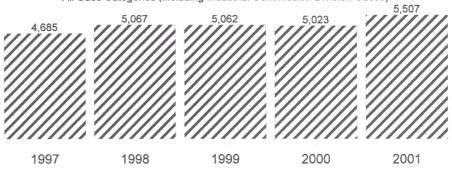


Civil Caseload**



Total Pending Caseload

All Case Categories (including Industrial Commission Division Cases)



55 North Street Elgin, IL (60120) (847) 695-3750

Loren J. Strotz, Clerk Francis Lenski, Research Director

APPELLATE JUDGES

John J. Bowman, Presiding Judge
Michael J. Colwell * Fred A. Geiger*
Susan F. Hutchinson Robert D. McLaren
Jack O'Malley John W. Rapp Jr.*
*circuit judge assigned to appellate court

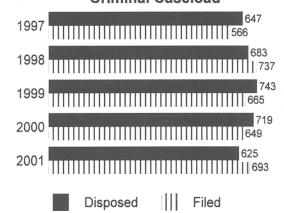
SECOND DISTRICT



Circuits (Counties):
15th (Carroll,
Jo Daviess, Lee, Ogle,
& Stephenson)
16th (DeKalb, Kane,
& Kendall)
17th (Boone & Winnebago)
18th (DuPage)
19th (Lake & McHenry)

District Population: 2,851,466 (2000 census)

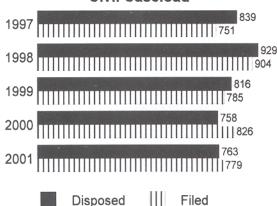
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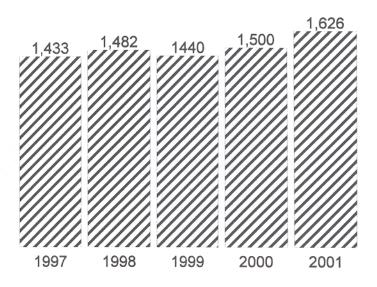
Second District Courthouse - Elgin Completed in 1966 (C. Jane Bradley photo)

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Circuits (Counties):

9th (Fulton, Hancock, Henderson, Knox, McDonough, & Warren) 10th (Marshall, Peoria, Putnam, Stark, & Tazewell) 12th (Will) 13th (Bureau, Grundy, & LaSalle) 14th (Henry, Mercer, Rock Island, & Whiteside) 21st (Kankakee & Iroquois)

District Population:

1,611,568 (2000 census)

THIRD DISTRICT



1004 Columbus Street Ottawa, IL (61350) (815) 434-5050

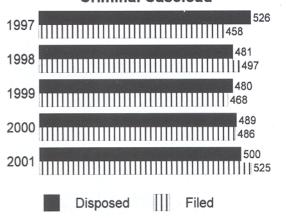
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APPELLATE JUDGES

Kent Slater, Presiding Judge

Peg Breslin William E. Holdridge Thomas J. Homer Tom M. Lytton Mary W. McDade

Criminal Caseload

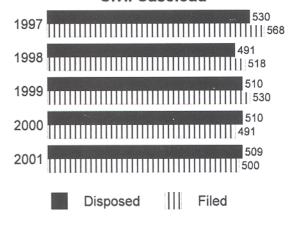




Third District Courthouse - Ottawa Completed in 1860 (Gist Fleshman photo)

Total Pending Caseload All Case Categories (including Industrial Commission Division Cases)

Civil Caseload*



^{*} Totals do not include Industrial Commission Division Cases

FOURTH DISTRICT

Supreme Court Building Springfield, IL (62701) (217) 782-2586

Darryl Pratscher, Clerk Shirley Wilgenbusch, Research Director



APPELLATE JUDGES

Robert J. Steigmann, Presiding Judge

Robert W. Cook James A. Knecht Rita B. Garman John T. McCullough

Sue E. Myerscough

McLean, & Woodford)

District Population:

1,281,486 (2000 census)

Circuits (Counties):

5th (Clark, Coles, Cumberland, Edgar,

& Vermilion)

6th (Champaign, DeWitt, Douglas,

Macon, Moultrie, & Piatt)

7th (Greene, Jersey,

Macoupin, Morgan, Sangamon, & Scott) 8th (Adams, Brown,

Calhoun, Cass,

Mason, Menard,

Pike, & Schuyler)

11th (Ford,

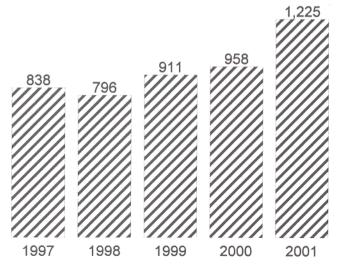
Livingston, Logan,



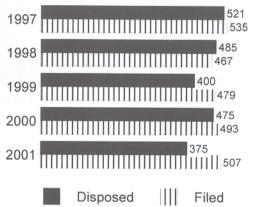
Fourth District - Supreme Court Building Completed in 1908 (Robert McCracken photo)

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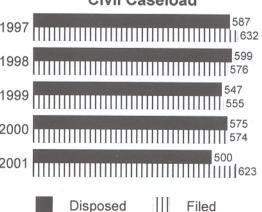
All Case Categories (including Industrial Commission Division Cases)



Criminal Caseload



Civil Caseload*



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Circuits (Counties):

1st (Alexander, Jackson, Johnson, Massac, Pope, Pulaski, Saline, Union, & Williamson)

2nd (Crawford, Edwards, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Richland, Wabash, Wayne, & White)

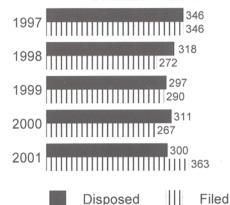
3rd (Bond & Madison)
4th (Christian, Clay, Clinton,
Effingham, Fayette, Jasper,
Marion, Montgomery, &
Shelby)
20th (Monroe, Perry,

District Population: 1,298,032 (2000 census)

Randolph, St. Clair, &

Washington)

Criminal Caseload



FIFTH DISTRICT





Fifth District Courthouse - Mt. Vernon Completed in 1857 (John J. Flood photo)

14th & Main Street Mt. Vernon, IL (62864) (618) 242-3120

Louis E. Costa, Clerk James Sanders, Research Director

APPELLATE JUDGES

Charles W. Chapman,
Presiding Judge
Richard P. Goldenhersh
Terrence J. Hopkins
Clyde L. Kuehn*
Gordon E. Maag
Philip J. Rarick
Thomas M. Welch

*circuit judge assigned to the appellate court

Total Pending Caseload

All Case Categories (including Industrial Commission Division Cases)

